Refer to: MB:KM NE WA 0246.90.R1

Dr. Richard Raymond, Interim Director Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Finance and Support PO Box 95026 Lincoln, Nebraska 68509

Dear Dr. Raymond:

I am pleased to inform you that your request for amendment of the Nebraska Home and Community-Based Services waiver (HCBS) for Early Intervention for infants and toddlers with disabilities, as authorized under the provisions of section 1915(c) of the Social Security Act (the Act) has been approved. This waiver amendment is assigned control number 0246.90.R1. Based on the information provided, the waiver request cited above is approved effective January 13, 2000, as requested.

This waiver continues to provide respite care. You specifically requested the waiver to allow for the provision of respite care for the usual caregivers of children with disabilities age 3 and younger who are not otherwise eligible for Medicaid.

The following estimates of utilization and cost of waiver services have been approved:

	<u>C Factor</u>	Χ	D Factor	=	Total Cost
Year 6 (01/13/00-01/12/01)	200		750		\$150,000
Year 7 (01/13/01-01/12/02)	200		750		\$150,000
Year 8 (01/13/02-01/12/03)	200		750		\$150,000
Year 9 (01/13/03-01/12/04)	200		750		\$150,000
Year 10 (01/13/04-01/12/05)	200		750		\$150,000

The waiver amendment request conforms to the requirements of the statute and Medicaid regulation. We appreciate the effort and cooperation provided by your staff.

Sincerely,

Joe L. Tilghman Regional Administrator

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